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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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Date of Interview: 16 August 2006.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Rasanen (WO 99/59354).


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative noted and Examiner agreed that the Rasanen reference does not provide for a distributed mode for implementing operations of a layer two protocol to deliver data to a transceiver device. The layer-2 LAC and RLP protocols (fig. 5, items 510, 511) are implemented exclusively as branch I or branch II operations. The Rasanen references does not disclose implementing only a portion of the LAC or RLP protocols.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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